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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) In order to enable the Government to accelerate power sector development, the Government is considering various options for mobilizing resources to supplement the funds to be provided in the plan and to leverage the strengths of different central public sector undertakings under the Ministry of Power.

(c) to (e) M/s ICICI and M/s State Bank of India (SBI) Capital Markets have been appointed as Consultants to suggest various options of raising resources for investment in Accelerated Power Development Programme.

Power Generation Targets in NER

2579. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have fixed any targets for Power generation in NER for 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof, District-wise and particularly in Assam;

(c) whether some funds have been allotted to achieve these targets; and

(d) if so, the details of the fund granted by the Government, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Energy generation targets are fixed power station-wise and not district-wise and on year to year basis in consultation with State Electricity Boards'PowerT Utilities. Energy generation target for the North Eastern Region (NER) for the year 2000-01 has been fixed at 5752 million units (MU) (State and Central Sectors) comprising 3215 MU—Hydro and 2537 MU—Thermal. This includes 4021 MU for generating stations situated in Assam comprising 2530 MU—Hydro and 1491 MU-Thermal. Energy generation targets for the year 2001-02 have not yet been fixed.

(c) and (d) Achievement of generation targets *depends* on the performance of the individual power station and that the requisite funds required for running the power stations are provided by the concerned State Electricity Boardstfower Utilities out of their own budget allocation.

Setting up new units by NHPC

† 2580. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the States where the National Hydro Power Corporation intends to establish its new units;

(b) whether the corporation proposes to set up any of its new units in backward States such as Bihar, Madhya Pradesh or Orissa in the near future; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) proposes to set up new units in various States of the country. State-wise details of new projects proposed to be taken up for execution are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed on 16.5.2000 with the Government of Madhya Pradesh for execution of two joint venture projects viz. Indira Sagar (1000 MW) and Omkareshwar (520 MW) in M.P. Government of Orissa has not handed over any project to NHPC. The Government of India and the Government of U.P. have signed a *Memorandum* of Understanding for the development of Lakwar Vyasi H.E. Project (420 MW) in U.P. through joint venture execution by NHPC with the U.P. Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited.

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.